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**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

**Mike FARWICK, et al.**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Attn.: Box Missing Parts**

Asst. Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and in response to the notice to file missing parts,  
please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please delete the Sequence Listing at the end of the instant specification and enter the  
attached Sequence Listing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821.

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination  
of this application.

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-29 will remain pending in this  
application. Early and favorable action on the merits of this application is earnestly solicited.